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REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL July 10, 2006

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Koehn, Paterson, Paulhus, Redding, and Schaefer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2006 meeting adding an attachment. Motion so passed.

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Paterson requested a moment of silence in honor of and respect for our troops around the world.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Issues Regarding the UConn Landfill

Mr. Berliner, Town Manager, up-dated the Council on the Pre-construction meeting he attended. Work will begin within the next 18 months; there should be no impact on neighboring landowners; staging area will be located on the UConn side of the landfill; Hunting Lodge Road will be used for traffic; dust controllers will be built into the plan; approximately 64 acres will be created as an open space parcel including wetlands on the north side of the landfill; foot paths will be open as much as possible with fencing available to keep it secured.

2. Fenton River

Waiting for final approval of the plan.

3. Town Newsletter and Communicating with the Public

Matt Hart, Asst. Town Manager, reported that planned guidelines are to be implemented for postings of agendas and minutes and promoting the use of the META Mail System. A concept for an electronic town newsletter has been discussed in keeping the public better informed.

Bruce Clouette suggested copies of the newsletter be posted at various places in town.

The Committee on Committees is working with the town clerk's office to develop a summary for each board and commission and an on-line application for residents. Bruce Clouette suggested that each board and commission establish Mission Statements.

Greg Haddad suggested a robo-call system be looked into.

4. Campus/Community Relations

Mayor Paterson reported beginning in August visits would be made to area complexes, and handouts distributed. The UConn Board of Trustees approved funding *for an office* of off-campus housing. Later this summer a draft of the Rental Registration Ordinance will be available.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

5. Personal Services Agreement- Daycare Services at Mansfield Discovery Depot

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded the following resolution:

RESOLVED, effective July 1, 2006, to authorize the Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, to execute a personal service agreement between the Town of Mansfield and the University of Connecticut to provide day care services at the Mansfield Discovery Depot for the children of university employees and students.

Motion so passed.

Fourth Amendment to Fire Service Agreement

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded the following amendment:

Move, effective July 10, 2006, to authorize the Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, to execute the attached "Fourth Amendment to Fire Protection Agreement" between the Town of Mansfield and the Eagleville Fire Department, Inc., and the attached "Fourth Amendment to Fire Protection Agreement" between the Town of Mansfield and the Mansfield Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

WHEREAS, on April 20, 1990, the Parties entered into an agreement entitled "Fire Protection Agreement;"

WHEREAS, on February 19, 1997, the Parties entered into an amendment to said Fire Protection Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Town gave timely and proper notice to the Fire Department of termination of the Fire Protection Agreement, as amended, effective April 20, 2005;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the "Third Amendment to Fire Protection Agreement," the present term of said agreement ends on July 26, 2006;

WHEREAS, the Parties contemplate the formation of a municipal fire department

and a reorganization of the volunteer fire companies that serve the Town; WHEREAS, the contemplated formation of a municipal fire department and reorganization of volunteer fire companies cannot be accomplished by July 26, 2006:

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to extend their Fire Protection Agreement, as amended, until formation of a municipal fire department and reorganization of the volunteer fire companies has been accomplished;

David Dagon, Fire Chief, hopes to finalize the agreement by August 2, 2006.

Motion so passed.

7. An Ordinance to Implement the Provision of Connecticut General Statutes Section 9-369b(d)

Discussion to continued at a later date.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Minutes – Ms. Koehn questioned whether the green building standards bills passed legislature.

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mr. Haddad reminded council members to submit their Town Manager's Evaluations forms.

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ms. Koehn *reported on a meeting* of the Mansfield Strategic Planning Team with Lee Erdman from the Strategic Planning Team in Hartford.

Mayor Paterson received the Citizen of the Year award by the Rotary.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Tour de Mansfield has been rescheduled until July 29, 2006. Volunteers are still needed.

Charter Revision Commission meeting July 11, 2006.

Downtown Partnership Board Meeting July 12, 2006.

Third Thursday on July 20, 2006.

The town accepted a 5-year bid with CCM Electric beginning in 2007.

The selection process for the new Director of WINCOG continues.

The Farmers Market will be moving to the side parking lot at E.O. Smith High School on August 5, 2006.

Matt Hart reported that the Postmaster at the Storrs/Mansfield Post Office thought it would be very difficult administratively to implement the name change.

XI. FUTURE AGENDAS

XII. PETITIONS, REQUEST AND COMMUNICATIONS

PZC unanimously passed all four pieces for the approval of the 1A building.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Blair moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to move into Executive Session.

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Koehn, Paterson, Paulhus, Redding, Schaefer, and Curry.

Review of selection for Town Manager

Mr. Paulhus moved and Ms. Blair seconded to move out of Executive Session.

Motion so passed.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Paulhus moved and Ms. Blair seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion so passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor Christine Hawthorne, Asst. Town Clerk